

TITLE 16 OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING
CHAPTER 63 SOCIAL WORKERS
PART 4 EXAMINATIONS

16.63.4.1 ISSUING AGENCY: Regulation and Licensing Department, Board of Social Work Examiners
P.O Box 25101, Santa Fe, NM 87504
[16.63.4.1 NMAC - Rp, 16.63.4.1 NMAC, 10/07/2025]

16.63.4.2 SCOPE: All baccalaureate social workers, masters social workers, clinical social workers, and independent social workers.
[16.63.4.2 NMAC - Rp, 16.63.4.2 NMAC, 10/07/2025]

16.63.4.3 STATUTORY AUTHORITY: These parts are promulgated pursuant to the Social Work Practice Act, Section 61-31-1 et seq NMSA 1978.
[16.63.4.3 NMAC - Rp, 16.63.4.3 NMAC, 10/07/2025]

16.63.4.4 DURATION: Permanent
[16.63.4.4 NMAC - Rp, 16.63.4.4 NMAC, 10/07/2025]

16.63.4.5 EFFECTIVE DATE: October 7, 2025, unless a different date is cited at the end of a section.
[16.63.4.5 NMAC - Rp, 16.63.4.5 NMAC, 10/07/2025]

16.63.4.6 OBJECTIVE: To outline the examination requirements and process.
[16.63.4.6 NMAC - Rp, 16.63.4.6 NMAC, 10/07/2025]

16.63.4.7 DEFINITIONS: [RESERVED]

16.63.4.8 EXAMINATIONS: The board adopts as its examination as administered by the association of social work boards at the appropriate license level.
[16.63.4.8 NMAC - Rp, 16.63.4.8 NMAC, 10/07/2025]

16.63.4.9 [RESERVED]
[16.63.4.9 NMAC - Repealed, 10/07/2025]

16.63.4.10 REQUIREMENTS: Applicants must submit, to the board, completed application and supporting documentation. The Board will notify the applicant of their appropriate approval.
[16.63.4.10 NMAC - Rp, 16.63.4.10 NMAC, 10/07/2025]

16.63.4.11 PASSING SCORES: The Board will accept passing scores as defined by the AWSB.
[16.63.4.11 NMAC - Rp, 16.63.4.11 NMAC, 10/07/2025]

16.63.4.12 REPEATED EXAMINATIONS: Qualified applicants who fail to obtain the minimum required score may retake the exam an unlimited number of times. A new application must be submitted and applicants must pay the examination fee for each administration of the examination. Qualifications for examination will be evaluated based on the most recent application.
[16.63.4.12 NMAC - Rp, 16.63.4.12 NMAC, 10/07/2025]

16.63.4.13 SPECIAL ACCOMODATIONS: Applicants for examination may request special Facilities to accommodate those with disabilities or those of whom English is a second language. Special requests must be submitted to ASWB at the time of registration for the exam.
[16.63.4.13 NMAC - Rp, 16.63.4.13 NMAC, 10/07/2025]

16.63.4.14 NOTIFICATION: The applicant will receive the results of the national exam immediately from ASWB.
[16.63.4.14 NMAC - Rp, 16.63.4.14 NMAC, 10/07/2025]

HISTORY OF 16.63.4 NMAC:

Pre-NMAC History: The material in this part was derived from that previously filed with the Commission of Public Records-State Records Center and Archives:

Rule 7, Examinations, 12/1/89.

Rule 7, Examinations, 8/13/90.

Rule 4, Examinations, 4/15/91.

Rule 4, Examinations, 5/22/92.

Rule 4, Examinations, 12/5/94.

History of Repealed Material:

16.63.4 NMAC, Examinations, filed 01/05/1995, was repealed and replaced with 16.63.4 NMAC, Examinations, effective 10/07/2025.